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POSTAL SERVICE IN NORTH EASTERN STATES
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the amount allocated for construction of new building and maintenance of post offices in Sikkim and other North-Eastern States during 1998-99, 1999-2000 and 2000-2001;

(b) the number of new post offices set up in these States during the above mentioned periods; and

(c) the number of new post-offices proposed to be set up in these States during the current financial year and the amount allocated for the purpose?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

(a) Amount allocated for construction of new building and maintenance of post offices in Sikkim and other North-Eastern States during the years 1998-99, 1999-2000 and 2000-2001 is Rs. 295.86 lakhs, Rs. 308.00 lakhs and Rs. 468.89 lakhs respectively.

(b) New post offices set up in these States during 1998-99, 1999-2000 and 2000-2001 are 64, 24 & 7 respectively.

(c) A target for opening 37 new post offices is tentatively proposed during the current financial year subject to fulfillment of norms and availability of resources including sanction of required posts. An amount of Rs. 68.89 lakhs has been allocated for the purpose.